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28 March 1961

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Acting Chief, DPD

**SUBJECT:** Recruitment of SAC Personnel for  
Project OXCART

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for the approval of the Acting Chief, DPD. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.

2. The effective implementation of the operational concept for Project OXCART requires that an operational staff of the highest professional competency be assigned [ ] and to Project Headquarters. By virtue of the similarity of OXCART and SAC operations, experienced SAC personnel, who are currently participating in strategic air operations, are considered best qualified to meet this high standard. Additionally, their familiarity with SAC operational procedures, organization, and personal contacts would result in more efficient and effective dealings with SAC.

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3. Senior officers and operations staff personnel who should be recruited from SAC are:

a. For Headquarters assignment:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Date Needed *</u>
Air Operations Officer	Major	ASAP
Performance Engineer	Major	1 May 1961

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b.  Assignment:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Date Needed *</u>
Commander	Colonel	1 May 1961
Director of Operations	Colonel	1 May 1961
Director of Materiel	Colonel	1 May 1961
Deputy for Operations	Lt. Col.	1 June 1961
Air Operations Officer	Major	1 June 1961
Air Operations Officer	Major	1 June 1961
Air Operations Officer	Major	1 June 1961
Flight Planner	Major	1 June 1961
Flight Planner	Major	1 June 1961
Operations Supervisor	M/Sgt.	1 June 1961
Intelligence Officer	Major	1 February 1962

\* Date by which individual must be identified and security investigation initiated. Included as Attachment #1 is the general phasing schedule for subject personnel from which these dates were determined.

4. The proposed briefing of CINCSAC on Project OXCART and this personnel requirement should be scheduled for the earliest possible date. Subject briefing could suggest that CINCSAC hand pick the three senior officers required who in turn would select the remaining required personnel based upon personal knowledge of their ability.

5. It is recommended that:

a. Personnel positions noted in paragraph 3. a. and 3. b. above, be manned by qualified SAC personnel.

b. That CINCSAC be briefed on this requirement not later than 15 April 1961 whereby necessary programming schedules can be met.

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Chief, Special Projects Branch, DPD

Attachment - 1  
As noted above

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The recommendations contained in  
paragraph 5. are approved:

(Signed) Stanley W. Beerli

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